## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION No. 5:20-cv-443-BO

MARIE LEONARD,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<u>ORDER</u>
C.R. BARD, INC. and BARD	)	
PERIPHERAL VASCULAR, INC.	j	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

This matter is before the Court on the parties' joint motion [DE 38] to stay discovery and all pretrial deadlines.

A district court has inherent authority to manage its docket to promote "economy of time and effort for itself, counsel, and for litigants." *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254–55 (1936). When determining whether to stay proceedings, a district court generally considers "(1) the interests of judicial economy; (2) hardship and equity to the moving party if the action is not stayed; and (3) potential prejudice to the non-moving party." *Johnson v. DePuy Orthopaedics*, *Inc.*, No. 3:12-CV-2274-JFA, 2012 WL 4538642, at \*2 (D.S.C. Oet. 1, 2012) (citation omitted). The Court, having considered these factors, finds that a stay is warranted.

Accordingly, the motion to stay discovery and all pretrial deadlines [DE 38] is GRANTED. This action is STAYED for ninety days after the entry of the order while parties pursue settlement discussions.

SO ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of November, 2020. Tenne Bayle TERRENCE W. BOYLE